GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA ABSTRACT

Panchayath Raj & Rural Development – Notification for requirement of Aadhar under Section 7 of Aadhar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and other subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act '2016 for financial assistance under VADDI LENI RUNALU (VLR) SCHEME to the loans availed by SHG members through Stree Nidhi Credit Cooperative Federation Ltd., Hyderabad – Revised Orders – Issued

PANCHAYATHRAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SERP/TSIRD) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 24 Dated: 22-06-2021 Read the following

- 1. Section 7 of Aadhar Targeted Delivery of Financial and other subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act'2016
- 2. UIDAI Circular No: 1-1/2019-UIDAI(DBT), dated 25.11.2019
- 3. G.O.MS No: 56, PR&RD (SERP/TSIRD) DEPARTMENT dated 02.12.2020
- 4. File from MD, Stree Nidhi Credit Cooperative Federation Ltd., Hyderabad, dated 19.04.2021
- 5. G.O.Ms.No. 20, PR&RD (SERP/TSIRD) DEPARTMENT dated 20.05.2021
- 6. File from MD, Stree Nidhi Credit Cooperative Federation Ltd., Hyderabad, dated 11.06.2021

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ORDER:

In the G.O.5th read above, a Notification has been issued to the Scheme under VADDI LENI RUNALU (VLR) SCHEME to the loans availed by SHG members through Stree Nidhi Credit Cooperative Federation Ltd., Hyderabad. In the reference 6th read above, the Managing Director, Stree Nidhi Credit Cooperative Federation Ltd., Hyderabad has stated that UIDAI has suggested shortcomings in the Gazette Notification. Hence he has requested the Government to issue certain amendments/ revised orders to the G.O.Ms.No.20, PR&RD (SERP/TSIRD) DEPARTMENT dated 20.05.2021.

- 2. Accordingly, Government after careful examination of the matter hereby issued the following revised notification to the G.O. 5th read above.
- 3. The following notification will be published in the extraordinary issue of Telangana State Gazette, dated: 22.06.2021

NOTIFICATION

Whereas, the use of Aadhaar as an identity document for delivery of services or benefits or subsidies simplifies the Government delivery processes, brings in transparency and efficiency, and enables beneficiaries to get their entitlements directly in a convenient and seamless manner by obviating the need to produce multiple documents to prove one's identity;

And whereas, the Panchayat Raj and Rural Development, Government of Telangana (hereinafter referred to as the Department) is administering the VADDI LENI RUNALU (VLR) Scheme (hereinafter referred to as the Scheme) to provide interest-free loans to the women Self Help Groups (SHGs) in the State, which is being implemented through the Stree Nidhi Credit Cooperative Federation Ltd., Hyderabad as an implementing agency in the State (hereinafter referred to as the Implementing Agency);

And whereas, under the Scheme, full interest is reimbursed on the outstanding loan amount upto Rs.5.00 lakh (herein after referred to as the benefit) which has been taken by individual members of the Self Help Groups (SHGs) (hereinafter referred to as the beneficiaries), by the Implementing Agency as per the extant Scheme guidelines;

And whereas, the aforesaid Scheme involves recurring expenditure incurred from the Consolidated Fund of Telangana;

Now, therefore, in pursuance of section 7 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Government of Telangana hereby notifies the following, namely:-

- 1. (1) An individual eligible for receiving the benefits under the Scheme shall hereby be required to furnish proof of possession of the Aadhaar number or undergo Aadhaar authentication.
 - (2) Any individual desirous of availing benefits under the Scheme, who does not possess the Aadhaar number or, has not yet enrolled for Aadhaar, shall be required to make application for Aadhaar enrolment before registering for the Scheme provided that she is entitled to obtain Aadhaar as per section 3 of the said Act, and such individuals shall visit any Aadhaar enrolment centre (list available at the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) website www.uidai.gov.in) to get enrolled for Aadhaar.
 - (3) As per the regulation 12 of the Aadhaar (Enrolment and Update) Regulations, 2016, the Department through its Implementing Agency, is required to offer Aadhaar enrolment facilities for the beneficiaries who are not yet enrolled for Aadhaar and in case there is no Aadhaar enrolment centre located in the respective Block or Taluka or Tehsil, the Department through its Implementing Agency shall provide Aadhaar enrolment facilities at convenient locations in coordination with the existing Registrars of UIDAI or by becoming a UIDAI Registrar themselves:

Provided that till the time Aadhaar is assigned to the individual, benefits under the Scheme shall be given to such individual, subject to the production of the following documents, namely:—

- (a) if she has enrolled, her Aadhaar Enrolment Identification slip; and
- (b) any one of the following documents, namely:-
 - (i) Bank or Post office Passbook with Photo; or
 - (ii) Permanent Account Number (PAN) Card; or
 - (iii) Passport; or
 - (iv) Ration Card; or
 - (v) Voter Identity Card; or

- (vi) MGNREGA card; or
- (vii) Kisan Photo passbook; or
- (viii) Driving license issued by the Licensing Authority under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (59 of 1988); or
- (ix) Certificate of identity having photo of such person issued by a Gazetted Officer or a Tehsildar on an official letter head; or
- (x) any other document as specified by the Department:

Provided further that the above documents may be checked by an officer specifically designated by the Department for that purpose.

- In order to provide benefits to the beneficiaries under the Scheme conveniently, the Department through its Implementing Agency shall make all the required arrangements to ensure that wide publicity through the media shall be given to the beneficiaries to make them aware of the requirement of Aadhaar under the Scheme.
- 3. In all cases, where Aadhaar authentication fails due to poor biometrics of the beneficiaries or due to any other reason, the following remedial mechanisms shall be adopted, namely:
 - a. in case of poor fingerprint quality, iris scan or face authentication facility shall be adopted for authentication, thereby the Department through its Implementing Agency shall make provisions for iris scanners or face authentication along with finger-print authentication for delivery of benefits in seamless manner;
 - b. in case the biometric authentication through fingerprints or iris scan or face authentication is not successful, wherever feasible and admissible authentication by Aadhaar One Time Password or Time-based One-Time Password with limited time validity, as the case may be, shall be offered;
 - c. in all other cases where biometric or Aadhaar One Time Password or Time- based One-Time Password authentication is not possible, benefits under the Scheme may be given on the basis of physical Aadhaar letter whose authenticity can be verified through the Quick Response (QR) code printed on the Aadhaar letter and the necessary arrangement of QR code reader shall be provided at the convenient locations by the Department through its Implementing Agency.
- 4. In addition to the above, in order to ensure that no bona fide beneficiary under the Scheme is deprived of her due benefits, the Department through its Implementing Agency shall follow the exception handling mechanism as outlined in the Office Memorandum of DBT Mission, Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India no. D-26011/04/2017-DBT,dated 19thDecember 2017 (available on https://dbtbharat.gov.in/).
- 5. This notification shall come into effect from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

SANDEEP KUMAR SULTANIA SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To,

The Commissioner of Stationary & printing Government of Telangana, Hyderabad (with a request to publish the notification in the extraordinary issue of Telangana, Gazette)

The Managing Director, Stree Nidhi Credit Cooperative Federation Ltd., Hyderabad The Commissioner, Rural Development, Hyderabad.

PS to Chief Secretary to Government, Telangana State, Hyderabad.

PS to Secretary to Government, Panchayat Raj Rural Development Department, T.S., Hyderabad.

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//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER